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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM

SUBJ: SWEDISH FIVE AXES MACHINE TOOL LICENSING

REF: STOCKHOLM 1577

1. REQUEST EMBASSY SEEK APPOINTMENT FOR USG TEAM TO MEET
WITH ASEA PREFERABLY MAY 13, OR ALTERNATIVELY MAY 16, TO
EXPLAIN BASIS OF US CONCERN REGARDING SWEDISH CONTRACT
WITH POLAND.

2. TEAM WOULD CONSIST OF JEREMIAH KRATZ, FROM ERDA,
EMBASSY REP (PREFERABLY OFFICER WHO CONTACTED ASEA PRE-
VIOUSLY), AND, IF APPROPRIATE, DR. RONALD V. MISKELL, A
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE OF ERDA.

3. DR. MISKELL HAS PREVIOUSLY VISITED ASEA WITH KRATZ.
MISKELL IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE NUCLEAR DIVISION OF THE
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UNION CARBIDE CORPORATION IN OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, WHICH
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MACHINING PARTS FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS
SYSTEMS. UNION CARBIDE DOES NOT MANUFACTURE OR SELL NC
EQUIPMENT, BEING ONLY A USER OF THIS EQUIPMENT. ACCORD-
INGLY, WE DO NOT REGARD UNION CARBIDE AS A COMPETITOR OF

ASEA. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF ASEA SENSITIVITY TO POSSIBLE

ADVERSE COMMERCIAL CONSEQUENCES FROM MAKING INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO USG, WE WISH TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT MISKELL WOULD BE WELCOMED BEFORE NAMING HIM TO THE DELEGATION.

4. IF EMBASSY BELIEVES INCLUSION OF MISKELL IN DELEGATION WOULD HAVE NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON ASEA, REQUEST EMBASSY INFORM ASEA THAT US WOULD PREFER TO INCLUDE HIM, BECAUSE OF HIS KNOWLEDGE OF NUCLEAR APPLICATIONS OF NC EQUIPMENT, BUT ONLY IF ASEA CONCURS THAT HIS INCLUSION WOULD IN NO WAY CONFLICT WITH US ASSURANCES THAT ASEA COMPETITORS WOULD NOT OBTAIN ACCESS TO INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ASEA AND WOULD IN NO WAY INHIBIT FRANK EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. PLEASE ADVISE.

5. SUBSTANTIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEETING TO BE SENT SEPTTEL.
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